

## **Session 6: Trends in Data and Open Access**

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### **OPEN DATA MANAGEMENT (INTEROPERABILITY AND STANDARDS): A PACIFIC PERSPECTIVE**

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#### **Abstract:**

How best can we manage and share information? This paper proposes to outline, discuss and hopefully initiate the development of possible frameworks for robust standards and interoperable platforms for open data management. Attempts are underway in some regional organizations and Pacific regional domestic entities towards this worthwhile cause as we try to harvest as much as we can in this explosive digital information era. Information sharing and dissemination are as reliable as their sources and there is a critical need to collaboratively re-design standards that can protect and ensure the reliability of much needed information using user-friendly architectural platforms and accessible tools. Examples and experiences in this paper have been drawn from around the Pacific with the hope that they will elicit interest and experiences from other participants.

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